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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND REMARKS

Sir:

Applicant submits this Preliminary Amendment and Remarks as part of the Continued Prosecution Application under 35 C.F.R. §1.53(d) filed herewith and in reply to the Final Office Action mailed on March 15, 2001. A Request for Extension of Time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) is being filed herewith to extend the response period to February 18, 2002. Please amend the above-identified application as follows in order to place the application in condition for allowance.

In the Claims:

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Please delete claims 7 and 8.

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Please amend claims 1 and 23 as follows: